## MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE COMMERCE LOAN FUND 2008 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECT SUMMARIES

## **REGULAR CDBG-ED PROJECT AWARDS**

**Locality:** Flathead County
Project Number: #MT-CDBG-ED08-01

Name of Company: Glacier Stone Supply, LLC

Project Location: Flathead County

Financing Date: 4/7/2008

CDBG-ED Funds:

 Loan
 \$ 276,000

 Admin Grant
 \$ 24,000

 Total
 \$ 300,000

Other Funds:

Wells Fargo Bank \$500,000

Total Project \$800,000

Job Creation: 50 New FTE's

LMI Jobs: 26 FTE's

Use of CDBG-ED Funds: Flathead County through Jobs Now, Inc./Montana West Economic Development Corporation will provide a loan to Glacier Stone for equipment purchases (network conveyors and equipment for sound and dust suppression). Glacier Stone manufactures stone veneers and has moved to a new, larger location. The company projects that it will create at least 50 new jobs from this business expansion project. At least 26 of the new positions will be made available to low and moderate income persons.

**Grantee:** City of Columbia Falls Project Number: #MT-CDBG-ED08-02

Name of Company: Western Building Center of Kalispell

Project Location: City of Columbia Falls

Financing Date: 04/07/2008

CDBG-ED Funds:

Loan \$ 115,000

Admin.	\$ 10,000
Total	\$ 125,000

Other Funds:

City of Columbia Falls \$ 75,000 Three Rivers Bank \$ 4,600,000 Western Building Center \$ 1,800,000

Total Project \$6,600,000

Job Creation: 20 New FTE's LMI Jobs: 16 New FTE's

Use of CDBG-ED Funds: The City of Columbia Falls through Jobs Now, Inc./Montana West Economic Development Corporation will provide a loan to Western Building Center of Kalispell for new equipment and machinery purchases. Western Building Center is currently building a new store that will focus on manufacturing prefab roof and floor trusses, and wall panels for affordable housing projects. The company expects to create at least 20 new positions during this business expansion project of which 16 jobs will be made available to low and moderate income people.

Grantee: Missoula County
Project Number: #MT-CDBG-ED08-03
Project Number: # MT-EDA-ED08-01

Name of Company: Pyramid Mountain Lumber

Project Location: Seeley Lake Financing Date: 4/7/2008

CDBG-ED Funds:

 Loan
 \$ 370,000

 Admin Grant
 \$ 30,000

 Total
 \$ 400,000

Other Funds:

 SBA
 \$ 704,000

 MAEDC IRP
 \$ 105,000

 Missoula County RLF
 \$ 180,000

 Two Rivers Bank
 \$2,200,000

 EDA/CDBG RLF
 \$ 75,000

Total Project \$3,664,000

Job Creation: 30 New FTE's

LMI Jobs: 20 FTE's

Use of CDBG-ED and EDA/CDBG RLF funds: Missoula County will provide loans to Pyramid Mountain Lumber Company for working capital and inventory. Pyramid Mountain needs to purchase lodge poll pine raw materials to support Pyramid's new focus on the remodeling market. These loans will enable Pyramid to create a second work shift and create 30 new, full time jobs during this business expansion project. All 30 of the new positions will be made available to low and moderate income persons. Missoula Area Economic Development Corporation will manage payments from the CDBG-ED loan through its regional revolving loan fund. EDACDBG RLF payments will be made to the Montana Department of Commerce.

Grantee: Lincoln County
Project Number: #MT-CDBG-ED08-04

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Name of Company: Luke E-G Post & Rail of Montana, Inc. Project Location: Kootenai Business Park Industrial District

Financing Date: 06/04/2008

CDBG-ED Funds:

Loan	\$ 125,000
Admin.	\$ 10,000
Total	\$ 135,000

Other Funds:

USDA Forest Service Grant \$ 250,000 Komatsu Credit Corp. \$ 297,000 Luke E-G \$ 20,000

Total Project \$ 702,000

Job Creation: 5 New FTE's

LMI Jobs: 5 New FTE's

Use of CDBG-ED Funds: Lincoln County through Kootenai River Development Authority will provide a grant to Kootenai Business Industrial District to purchase a horizontal or tub grinder that will be owned by the industrial district and rented to Luke E-G Post and Rail of Montana, Inc. Luck E-G will grind hog fuel material at their operation, grind the piles in the woods, and haul them back to their chip bin. This will produce bi-products to be marketed to regional businesses. The company expects to create at least 5 new positions during this business expansion project. All 5 positions will be made available to low and moderate income persons.

**Grantee:** City of Wolf Point Project Number: #MT-CDBG-ED08-05

Name of Company: Sherman Motor Inn Project Location: Wolf Point Montana

Financing Date: 07/08/2008

CDBG-ED Funds:

 Loan
 \$ 200,000

 Admin.
 \$ 17,391

 Total
 \$ 217,391

Other Funds:

 Independence Bank
 \$ 749,800

 Other
 \$ 524,800

 Equity
 \$ 122,495

Total Project \$1,614,486

Job Retention: 20 FTE's LMI Jobs: 20 FTE's

Use of CDBG-ED Funds: City of Wolf Point through Great Northern Development Corporation will provide a loan to Guy and Karen Huber to purchase the Sherman Motor Inn. The company expects to retain at least 20 positions.

Grantee: City of Kalispell

Project Number: #MT-CDBG-ED08-06

Name of Company: Flathead Valley Community College

Project Location: Kalispell Montana

Financing Date: 07/08/2008

CDBG-ED Funds:

Loan\$ 154,500Admin.\$ 12,360Total\$ 166,860

Other Funds:

FVCC \$ 154,500 Donated Materials \$ 15,000

Total Project \$ 336,360

Job Creation: 35 FTE's

LMI Jobs: 35 FTE's

Use of CDBG-ED Funds: City of Kalispell will provide funding to FVCC to be used towards student training costs. Trained students who have completed the courses will be recruited at Plum Creek, Semitool and Sonju Industrial. This training course will provide at least 35 students that have completed their coursework with access to 35 job openings, of which 35 will be available to low and moderate income persons.

Grantee: City of Red Lodge and Carbon County

Project Number: #MT-CDBG-ED08-07

Name of Company: Beartooth Hospital and Health Center

Project Location: Red Lodge Montana

Financing Date: 10/22/2008

CDBG-ED Funds:

 Loan
 \$ 570,000

 Admin.
 \$ 30,000

 Total
 \$ 600,000

Other Funds:

Beartooth Hospital Foundation \$ 450,000 Community Pledges \$ 1,100,000 Beartooth Hospital Foundation Pledges \$ 641,000 Billings Clinic Loan \$ 2,500,000 USDA Loan \$ 6,000,000 USDA Revenue Bond \$ 12.395,000

Total Project \$ 23,686,000

Number of Jobs: 30 FTE's

Use of CDBG-ED Funds: City of Red Lodge and Carbon County will provide funding to Beartooth Hospital and Health Center to be used for the purchase hospital equipment that will be utilized immediately in the existing hospital facility and moved to the new hospital upon completion of construction. The hospital expects to hire at least 30 new employees of which at least 16 of the positions will be made available to low and moderate income persons. Beartooth RC&D will provide administrative support.

## **CDBG-ED PLANNING GRANT AWARDS**

Grantee: Butte-Silver Bow

Project Number: MT-CDBG-EDPG08-01

Project Location: Butte Financing Date: 4/7/2008

CDBG-ED Funds: \$30,000

Other Funds

Butte-Silver Bow TIFID \$ 15,150 Chafin-Fuhrlander \$ 3,000

Total Project \$48,150

Job Creation: Not applicable LMI Jobs: Not applicable

Use of CDBG-ED Funds: Funding will be used to conduct a feasibility study for a proposed Chafin-Fuhrlander wind turbine manufacturing facility. The study will help determine the current and future market demand for wind products, the regulatory climate, and timing for the market. Butte is one of several potential sites for a wind turbine manufacturing facility.

Grantee: Roosevelt County

Project Number: MT-CDBG-EDPG08-02

Project Location: Roosevelt County

Financing Date: 4/28/2008

CDBG-ED Funds: \$ 8,400

Other Funds

Roosevelt County \$ 8,000

Total Project \$16,400

Job Creation:

LMI Jobs:

Not applicable

Not applicable

Use of CDBG-ED Funds: Funding will be used to complete a preliminary engineering report for road work in support of the construction of a natural gas fueled peaking unit near Culbertson, Montana. Basin Electric plans to construct this operation at an approximate cost of \$100 million.

Grantee: Small Business Development Center

(SBDC)

Project Number: MOA

Project Location: Helena Financing Date: 4/28/2008

CDBG-ED Funds: \$ 20,000

Other Funds

\$39,556 MTIP \$ 84,870

Total Project \$144,426

Job Creation: Not applicable LMI Jobs: Not applicable

Use of CDBG-ED Funds: Funding will be used to support the SBDC for business consulting support and for the Montana Technology Innovation Partnership (MTIP) program to help pay for a portion of the trainer's development fees.

Grantee: City of Helena

Project Number: MT-CDBG-EDPG08-03

Project Location: Helena Financing Date: 6/04/2008

CDBG-ED Funds: \$15,000

Other Funds

Beautiful Minds Dignity Dinner \$16,500

City of Helena \$ 2,000 (in kind)
Center for Mental Health \$ 4,420 (in kind)

Total Project \$37,920

Use of CDBG-ED Funds: Funding will be used towards costs associated with a preliminary architectural report for the site selection and preliminary design of either a new crisis stabilization facility or the renovation of an existing building for services provided by the Center for Mental Health.

Grantee: Lincoln County

Project Number: MT-CDBG-EDPG08-04

Project Location: Eureka Montana

Financing Date: 07/08/2008

CDBG-ED Funds: \$ 11,000

Other Funds

Total Project \$30,000

Job Creation: Not applicable LMI Jobs: Not applicable

Use of CDBG-ED Funds: Funding will be used to complete a feasibility study for the Tobacco Valley Industrial District Business Park for potential development of the park, complete comprehensive needs assessment, one public meeting, and development of a data base with Geospatial GIS mapping.

Grantee: Hill County

Project Number: MT-CDBG-EDPG08-05

Project Location: Havre Montana

Financing Date: 7/08/2008

CDBG-ED Funds: \$ 15,000

Other Funds

H. Earl Clack Foundation \$ 15,000 Bear Paw Dev Corp (in kind) \$ 2,400

Total Project \$32,400

Job Creation: Not applicable LMI Jobs: Not applicable

Use of CDBG-ED Funds: Funding will be used to complete a preliminary architectural report for identification of a preferred location for the H. Earl Clack Museum at the Hill County Fairgrounds.

Grantee: City of Hamilton

Project Number: MT-CDBG-EDPG08-06

Project Location: Hamilton Montana

Financing Date: 10/22/2008

CDBG-ED Funds: \$ 10,000

Other Funds

Ravalli county \$ 5,000 City of Hamilton \$ 5,000

Total Project \$20,000

Job Creation: Not applicable
LMI Jobs: Not applicable

Use of CDBG-ED Funds: Funding will be used to determine the feasibility of forming a tax increment finance district in the Old Corvallis Road area.